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## A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS

### Local Summer Resident Heads Important Work Of Women's Activities

The Christian Science Monitor in its issue of December 28, publishes an interview and account of the new work undertaken by Miss Daisy B. Treen, as Director of the new Household Problems Bureau of the Women's Educational and Industrial Union of Boston. Miss Treen is a summer resident of this town with a cottage in the Highlands and she has been much interested in the work of the Northfield Seminary, being at one time a trustee. During the past summer she taught the nutrition class under the auspices of the local Civilian Defense committee, out of which was formed the local Canteen corps, of Northfield. Many women enjoyed the privilege of carrying on the studies with her. Miss Treen has an eminent background of experience. She was graduated from the Home Economics department of Pratt Institute, was director of the Commons at the University of North Dakota, where she was given her A.B. degree. She studied at Columbia in the field of nutrition and went to Boston as director of school lunches for the city of Boston, under the Women's Educational and Industrial Union. Two years ago she retired after 25 years of service, but is now pressed again into service to head up this new important bureau on household problems, in this war time emergency. Miss Treen claims no super knowledge but with her charming personality and winning smile, endeavors to study all problems of housewives as presented and solve them in an acceptable manner. The new effort in the women's activities of the city of Boston is already meeting with an unbound success. Miss Treen was interviewed quite fully by a representative of the Monitor and the glowing account of over two columns is most humanly interesting. Also published is a photograph of Miss Treen taking up one of her problems with a housewife.

Many Northfield women will be glad to greet her when she comes to sojourn here next summer.

### Oranges Being Sold At Previous Price

Just as the Press goes to print, we have received a telegram from Spurgeon Gage, saying that he will fill orders at the previously low prices mentioned in the advertising of our columns. There seems to be plenty of the fruit just now ready and coming into market but when the extra supply is taken up, there will be higher prices. If you contemplate ordering a bushel of oranges or grapefruit, better get in your order at once to Mr. Bigelow at the East Northfield Post-office. Orders for two large shipments were sent in by Mr. Bigelow this week.

### "Wires For War" Messages Are Limited Consider Carefully

The Western Union Telegraph Co., which has its office for transmission at the Northfield hotel, makes public to all, the following regulation of the Board of War Communications, by order dated December 17. "Telegraph carriers are not permitted, commencing December 22, to accept for transmission, domestic messages of felicitation or congratulations. This applies not only to Christmas and other special occasion messages, but to messages of felicitations or congratulations on births, weddings, anniversaries and birthdays."

### 'Twas Hard Storm

Three days of snow, rain, and sleet brought a hard storm to this vicinity and travel on the highways was increasingly difficult. The climax on Wednesday morning was reached when trees bent and cracked under the weight of ice. There was no electricity and wires were presumed down. Hundreds of trees suffered and ended their usefulness.

### The Fortnightly

The next meeting of the Fortnightly will be held Friday afternoon, January 8, at 3 o'clock, at Alexander hall, when the guest speaker will be Mrs. Helen Gethman of the faculty of the Seminary. The tea hostesses will be Mrs. George Pefferie, Mrs. Joseph W. Field and Mrs. Charles L. Johnson.

### AMERICA AWAKE!

Outside the inn, in Bethlehem, In days long, long ago, The blessed Son of God was born; "No room" inside, you know.

Outside the town of Nazareth In days long, long ago, They sought to crush Him o'er the brink,

To crush His life below.

Outside His own Jerusalem They led this Holy One To Calvary's hill; and there He died—

God's well beloved Son!

No room on earth for Him,—but lo!

He's risen from the tomb Above a place for Him is found In Heaven's highest room.

And still He seeks a room below.

America, awake!

Oh! open heart and life to Him His blessings to partake.

Tis only as we give Him place Shall war and sorrows cease; Oh! worship! and for Him make room,

For Christ — the Prince of Peace!

—Marie L. Olson.

### Services At Churches Events Of The Week For Year's Opening

#### Congregational Church

Announcements for next week, of services and events, are as follows:

On Sunday, January 3: At 10, Sunday school; at 11, Morning worship. Communion service with reception of new members. Meditation by Mr. Dahl. Those who will join the church include Dr. and Mrs. Henry F. Cutler, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Franz, Kenneth, Elaine and Bette Franz, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Currier, Mr. and Mrs. Herman White, Miss Margaret Page, Mrs. Austin Phelps, the Rev. Robert C. Mildram, Carl and Isabelle Stone. At 3, Sunday school at District No. 4, Niels C. Nielsen, superintendent. At 630, Christian Endeavor meeting. Mr. Nielsen will be the guest speaker.

Monday at 7 o'clock, Boy Scout meeting in the vestry.

Wednesday afternoon, 3 o'clock, the Women's Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. E. S. Frary. The study of Congregational Missions in Africa will be led by Mrs. C. F. Taber and Mrs. Roger Greenwood.

On Thursday at 10, the Ladies' Sewing Society will meet with luncheon at noon; 5:45, Supper meeting for the teachers and officers of the Sunday school. Roland Currier will continue his course in teacher training; 7:30, Prayer meeting, led by Mr. Dahl; 8:30, Choir rehearsal.

On Friday, 7:30, the Evening Auxiliary will meet. Miss Amelia Hausmann will review "Inside Prayer in America." Miss Daisy Holton will lead devotions.

This week Thursday evening a New Year's eve service will be held in the church at 7:30 with a message from Mr. Dahl appropriate to the day. This service will take the place of the Watch Night service previously announced.

#### The Unitarian Church

Services on Sunday, January 3, at 10:45 a.m.: Service of worship, sermon topic: "Creative Religion." Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister, Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, choir leader and organist. A cordial welcome to all. Church school, 10 a.m., topic, "Lend a Hand!"

Last Sunday Mr. Heeb's New Year's theme was "Another Year of God." Recalling the words of the Persian poet, "Now the New Year, reviving old desires the thoughtful soul to solitude retires," he said: Religion declines when we do not know what to do with our solitude. Creative solitude is religion. Loneliness is thrust upon us by our selfishness and sense of regret. We should seek solitude. At this time of year, when we review old days and old times and this year of great world happenings it is well for us to take account of the habit of Jesus, inviting the solace of solitude.

She was born in Millers Falls.

She had been a resident of Erving for many years, but for some time made her home with Mrs. W. A. White on Birnam road. She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Carrie Watson of Erving, and two brothers, Oscar Britt of Orange, and William Britt of Athol. Burial was in the Erving cemetery. She had many friends in Northfield, who well remember her.

### Engagement Announced

The engagement of Ruth (Bonnie) Weidner of Bethlehem, Pa., to William M. Marshall, Jr., son of Captain and Mrs. William Marshall of East Northfield, was announced Christmas Day. Miss Weidner has visited here many times. Mr. Marshall attended Mt. Hermon school and is now employed at the Bethlehem Steel Works. He expects to be called in the service very soon at which time he will be in the 87th Regiment and will be located in Colorado.

### B. & M. Profit Increases

Net income of \$1,152,519.94 over fixed charges and \$804,944.86 after contingent charges was earned by the Boston and Maine railroad in November. This compared with net income of \$177,636.21, reported by the road in November, 1941.

Lt. and Mrs. Robert S. Porter

announce the birth of their daughter, Lois Jeanne, on December 17, in Bethlehem, Pa. Lt. Porter has

written that he is "somewhere in North Africa." The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Philip Porter of

East Northfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Zart of Bethlehem, Pa.

Recently and even within the past few days, some local subscribers have been using their phones for extended social conversations.

Such a conversation hindered a

most important business call on a

party line in the last few days. Re-

member we are in war, use your

phone for necessary purposes and

make your conversations short. All

lines should be kept free and open

for actual requirements.

Dr. George Bronson conducted the morning devotions over station WTAI Tuesday morning of this week in place of Mr. Dahl. A quartet directed by I. J. Lawrence participated.

Members of the Christian En-

deavor society have arranged a

skating party on the new rink this

Friday evening, if lighted, other-

wise the party will be held at the

hotel sink. After the party the

group will go to the home of Mr.

Dahl for refreshments.

Thomas and Edward Hurley,

are Mr. and Mrs. Philip Porter of

East Northfield, and Mr. and Mrs.

Arthur Zart of Bethlehem, Pa.

last week-end with their relatives here.

### President's Birthday Marked By Events To Aid Paralysis Fight

President Roosevelt's birthday on January 30 will be marked by many events throughout the nation to aid in the campaign for funds to fight infantile paralysis. All monies received will be given to the National Foundation, Inc.

A publicity notice has come to the Press for announcement but the details of the effort in Franklin county have not been decided, nor have any appointments of workers been made. It is probable that there will be a county observance as in recent years, held in Greenfield and citizens of the various towns will be asked to co-operate.

Contribution boxes will doubtless be found at the postoffices and in the local stores as in former years.

Last year, Lawrence D. Quinlan, Northfield postmaster, was the local representative on the county committee and quite a sum of money was received here. When the observance was held by each town, dances were held at each town hall and there is now a sum of money to be available, held here by the local trustees. This community is fortunate in that it has had no case of infantile paralysis.

This is an important notice and those citizens who have important matters to be considered at the annual town meeting should act at once.

### Town Topics

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# Sears

AND THEIR EMPLOYEES  
WISH EVERYONE  
A PROSPEROUS AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Sears, Roebuck and Co.  
GREENFIELD

THANK YOU — May we express our appreciation of your patronage during the past year and ask for its continuance during the coming season.

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A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR  
TO ALL THEIR PATRONS  
IN NORTHLAND AND VICINITY

HOUGHTON & SIMONDS

BRATTLEBORO

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GOOD WILL PLEASE ACCEPT OUR  
SINCERE THANKS AND BEST WISHES  
FOR THE NEW YEAR

Goodspeed's Watch Shop  
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EXTEND GREETINGS  
FOR THE NEW YEAR  
WE THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR  
PATRONAGE

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A Very Happy New Year

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A Happy New Year  
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We Extend to Our Customers and Friends  
The Best Wishes For A  
HAPPY NEW YEAR  
SPENCER BROTHERS  
Ross L. Spencer

Donald Newton, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Newton of the Farms, who graduated from the local High school and is a member of the sophomore class at the State college, has been accepted and was sworn in as a member of the army air corps last week.

Mrs. Vincent Sullivan and three children of Bolton are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O. Leach at the Farms, for the Christmas holiday.

Miss Margaret Mary Donahue, who is a junior at Our Lady of the Elms at Chicopee, is spending the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Donahue of the Farms.

PARAMOUNT  
BRATTLEBORO  
STARTS SUNDAY, JAN. 3  
Claudette Colbert —  
Joel McCrea  
IN  
"THE PALM BEACH  
STORY"  
WITH  
Mary Astor — Rudy Vallee

WED., THURS. JAN. 6-7  
Lola Lane in  
"MISS V FROM MOSCOW"  
AND  
"THE LIVING GHOST"

FRI., SAT. JAN. 8-9  
"UNDERGROUND AGENT"  
and Buck Jones in  
"RIDERS OF THE WEST"  
Perils of Nyoka No. 9

## TOWN TOPICS

Seth Field of the Coast Guard, now at Cleveland, Ohio, spent a short furlough over the Christmas season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Field.

Those who have gone into the woods for Christmas greens, report that the fir trees of all kinds bear many cones upon their branches and prove a fine decoration.

Mrs. Guy Blossom has received from her daughter, Mrs. Towle, who with her husband are missionaries in India, some excellent films in color depicting their work which local friends have been interested to see. Mr. and Mrs. Towle are missionaries credited to the local Congregational church.

Miss Marylyn Perkins, who taught at the Center school recently, resigned to return to her home at Dover, N. H., to take up further studies. Mrs. George Leonard has been added to the teaching force.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Durgin of New York visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Lazelle, for a few days before Christmas, after which they went to visit his mother in Boston.

Examiners from the state auditor's department are expected to arrive in town on the first of January to check on all town reports as required by law. All reports by officials having to do with the spending of town funds should be ready promptly.

Miss June Browning, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Browning, who is attending the Bible institute of Providence, R. I., is at her home for the Christmas vacation.

A chimney fire at the home of John Galvis last week Wednesday, called the Fire department with Chief Johnson. No damage was reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence White and young son spent the Christmas holiday with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Allen H. Wright.

Matthew Forsaith of the Navy is spending a furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Forsaith of Birnam road. His ship has been on convoy duty.

Starts NEW YEAR'S DAY!

GARDEN  
THEATRE GREENFIELD  
Continuous Shows  
Daily — 1:30 to 10:30

"THE PALM BEACH STORY"

WITH CLAUDETTE COLBERT

JOEL McCREA

RUDY VALLEE

AND SUPERB CAST

Feature No. 2  
"APACHE TRAIL"

## A Happy New Year Greeting

We sincerely thank you for your valued patronage during the last year.

The Economy Auto Store

JOHN MROZYCK, Manager  
60 Elliot St. — Brattleboro

## LATCHIS

MEMORIAL THEATRE

MAT. 2:35 — EVE. 6:45-8:30

Fri. and Sat. Jan. 1-2  
"WHISTLING IN DIXIE"  
Red Skelton—Ann Rutherford  
Rags Ragland

Sun., Mon., Tues., Wed. Jan. 3-6

"NOW, VOYAGER"  
Bette Davis—Paul Henreid  
Claude Rains

Thurs., Fri., Sat. Jan. 7-9

"NIGHTMARE"  
Diana Barrymore  
Brian Donlevy—Henry Daniell

## AUDITORIUM

BRATTLEBORO

SUNDAY AT 6:20-8:30

Fri. and Sat. Jan. 1-2  
"UNDERCOVER MAN"  
William Boyd—Andy Clyde  
"THE DEVIL WITH HITLER"  
Ann Mowbray—Bobby Watson

Sun. and Mon. Jan. 3-4  
"TORTILLA FLAT"  
Spencer Tracy—Hedy Lamarr

Tues. Jan. 5  
"WE WERE DANCING"  
Norma Shearer—Melvyn Douglas

Wed. and Thurs. Jan. 6-7  
"THE HIDDEN HAND"  
Craig Stevens—Elizabeth Fraser

Spencer Tracy—Hedy Lamarr

Marlene Dietrich—Randolph Scott

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HAPPILY SERVED DURING THE PAST YEAR  
IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE WE EXTEND  
NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS  
— 1943 —

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and Best Wishes for

A Happy New Year

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## THE NORTHLAND

Again invites you to their Wednesday evening

## NEIGHBORHOOD NIGHTS

Buffet Supper, 95c

Games and Seasonal Sports

Come to the Gift Shop for Lovely Gifts

Reddy Kilowatt Offers Some Ideas  
I resolve to...

1. Not gripe about rationing and my fair share of the TAX LOAD (it's a cheap price to pay for freedom).
2. Buy WAR BONDS till it hurts (and dream about the new electric range and things I'll buy with the money later).
3. Save SCRAP (I really should go over those things in the attic again). Tin cans, too.
4. Take care of my ELECTRIC SERVANTS (I'd hate to be without my electric range and refrigerator).
5. Do more Civilian Defense work (a couple of more hours a week won't kill me).
6. Keep my family fighting fit by feeding them nutritious foods correctly cooked (my electric range will help), and by protecting their precious eyes with proper light (1. E. S. lamps with proper size bulbs will help).
7. Starting today, I WILL save fats and greases (funny how hard it is to break old habits).
8. Write CHEERFUL letters regularly to my friends in the service (if I were out there I sure would like to meet the mailman).

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